

## Mary Helminski

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**Subject:** Archuleta County .GOV

Dear Commissioners,

I apologize for the delay in providing you with the information on the cost of moving ArchuletaCount.org to ArchuletaCounty.gov. I had to contact several other counties that have made the same transition and do some research on the expenses involved. Here is what I found out:

- The main cost would be replacing the business cards that have the old domain name. If we order 50 new cards for each employee, that would cost \$50 per person, or a total of \$2500. However, we do not have to do this right away. We can use up the existing cards and order new ones gradually.
- Another possible cost would be hiring a Tier 3 network technician to assist us with the domain transfer. This would depend on the complexity of the process and the availability of our own IT staff. The estimated cost for this service is \$600.
- A minor cost would be announcing the change in the local newspaper. This would help inform the public and our partners about our new domain name and email addresses. The cost for this advertisement is \$100.

Please note that this transition does not have to be done in a hurry. We can keep both domains active for as long as we need, up to a year or more, to ensure a smooth changeover. This means that our old email addresses will still work, and anyone who visits our old website will be automatically redirected to our new one. Over time, people will become familiar with our new domain name and update their records accordingly.

Other counties that have made this transition have assured me that they have not experienced any major problems or inconveniences. They also said that having a .gov domain name has improved their credibility and security.

I hope this information helps you make an informed decision about moving to ArchuletaCounty.gov. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

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Thank you,

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